



***Leading and Learning in a Globalized  
World: The Impact on College and  
Career Readiness with Dr. Yong Zhao***

***May 6, 2014  
St. John's University  
500 Montauk Highway  
Oakdale, NY 11769***

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**NPA school leaders are visionaries who have the knowledge and potential to create and influence school cultures that promote high achievement and success for all students. By combining the best leadership thinking and practices from business, politics and education into one world-class academy, the best and brightest visionaries will be better equipped to lead America's schools.**

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### Agenda

8:00-8:30 am: Registration and Breakfast  
*Sponsor: St. John's University School of Education*

8:30-9:30 am: Keynote by Dr. Yong Zhao  
*Sponsor: OtterBox*

9:30-10:15 am: Thinking Differently about  
Learning Spaces w/architect Randy Fielding

10:15-10:30 am: Break

10:30-11:15 am: Leadership w/Dr. Steve  
Edwards

11:15 am-12:15 pm: 1<sup>st</sup> Micro Session  
w/Dr. Zhao and Dr. Edwards

12:15-1:15 pm: Networking Lunch  
*Sponsor: SCOPE Education Services*

1:15-2:15 pm: 2<sup>nd</sup> Micro Session w/Dr. Zhao  
and Dr. Edwards

2:15-3:00 pm: Closing Session w/Dr. Zhao

### Outcomes

Lead your own learning experience. Insightful presentations and interactive “micro sessions” are designed to engage you and your associates in a unique learning experience.

You will leave with the knowledge and confidence to:

- Understand the implications of international assessments such as Pisa and better prepare your students for the global economy.
- Create a classroom that ties to student assessment
- Positively impact your school's culture and climate
- Increase college and career readiness
- Embed best practices with current Common Core standards



*Leading and Learning in a Globalized World: The Impact on College and Career Readiness* will challenge how you lead and how you create learning opportunities for your students.

In this day-long session, Dr. Yong Zhao, a visionary on global education and preparing our children for the future, and Dr. Steven Edwards, an international expert in education leadership development, will frame how they see the future of education and share with you how you can become a leader who creates the learning opportunities our students need and deserve.

Through a combination of presentations and smaller “micro sessions,” participants will hear new ideas about how education can and should prepare our students for the rich and challenging world they will live in and process those ideas with other attendees.

“Micro Sessions” are thought-provoking smaller sessions that give participants an opportunity to go deeper with the ideas presented and to share individual and group thinking, questioning and ideas under the expert facilitation of Dr. Zhao and Dr. Edwards.

Participants will receive advance materials to provoke thought and reflection on their own practices. This advance work will prepare each participant to gain maximum benefit from this event.

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION



This special event will be hosted by St. John's University at the historical Bourne Mansion on the Oakdale Campus.

### Registration Fees:

\$295.00 EARLY BIRD per person, until March 31

\$325.00 per person, after March 31

\$290.00 per person for groups of 5 or more from the same organization

\$290.00 per person for fully enrolled university students (graduate and undergraduate)

To register, email the following information to Helen Morris at Edwards Educational Services, [Helen@edwardsedservices.com](mailto:Helen@edwardsedservices.com).

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### Payment:

Payment may be made in the form of a check or school district purchase order. Checks and POs should be made out to The National Principals Academy and mailed to NPA, 325 N. Henry St., Alexandria, VA 22314.

### Refunds:

Refunds on Conference Registration fees will be given until April 22, 2014. After that date, no refunds can be given.

## Travel:

### By Air

#### **Long Island MacArthur Airport - 631-467-3300**

100 Arrival Road

Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

Approximately 6 miles from St. John's University

#### **John F. Kennedy International Airport - 718-244-4444**

Jamaica, NY 11430

Approximately 40 miles from St. John's University

#### **LaGuardia Airport - 718-533-3400**

New York, NY 11371

Approximately 57 miles from St. John's University

### By Car

#### **From N.Y.C., North, and West of Long Island**

#### **From the Long Island Expressway (L.I.E.) Eastbound**

Take L.I.E. (I-495) eastbound to Exit 53S, south to Sagtikos State Parkway to Exit S4/Southern State Parkway eastbound. Then, follow directions from Southern State Parkway.

#### **From the Southern State Parkway Eastbound**

Use Exit 44 East (Montauk), and get on Sunrise Highway (27) eastbound. Follow directions from Sunrise Highway west of Oakdale.

#### **From Sunrise Highway west of Oakdale**

Take Sunrise Highway (27) eastbound until you see a sign for Oakdale -- Montauk Highway (Rte. 85). Exit Sunrise Highway on your right, and at the light, make a left turn. Bear right going over a small bridge. From here, follow directions "From Oakdale" (below).

#### **From Oakdale**

Drive through Oakdale passing 5 traffic lights. (The Oakdale shopping plaza is on your left after the 5th light.) After this light, you should see the west entrance of the campus on your right. Enter the campus and proceed until you come to a gate. Turn left. "The Mansion" (Administrative Offices) is approximately 100 feet on your right.

#### **From East of Oakdale, Long Island**

#### **From Sunrise Highway east of Oakdale**

Take Sunrise Highway (27) westbound to Exit 48, Locust Avenue / Oakdale - Bohemia. At the light, make a left onto Locust Avenue south. Proceed southbound on Locust for 2 miles until you reach the end, which is Montauk Highway (27A). Make a right onto Montauk Highway, and take your immediate left onto the west entrance of the campus. Proceed until you come to a gate. Turn left. "The Mansion" (Administrative Offices) is approximately 100 feet on the right side.

## Accommodations:

#### **Residence Inn by Marriott Central Islip - 631-231-0025**

7 Courthouse Drive

Central Islip, NY 11722

Approximately 3 miles from St. John's University

#### **Hilton Garden Inn - 631-738-7800**

3485 Veterans Memorial Highway

Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

Approximately 4 miles from St. John's University

#### **Marriott Hotel Island - 631-232-3000**

3635 Express Drive North

Islandia, NY 11749

Approximately 5 miles from St. John's University

#### **Courtyard by Marriott Hotel Long Island**

**Ronkonkoma - 631-612-5000**

5000 Express Drive South

Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

Approximately 7 miles from St. John's University

# Event Faculty

**Yong Zhao, Ph.D., Presidential Chair, Associate Dean for Global Education, College of Education, and Professor, Department of Educational Methodology, Policy and Leadership, University of Oregon.**

Dr. Yong Zhao is an internationally known scholar, author, and speaker. His works focus on the implications of globalization and technology on education. He has designed schools that cultivate global competence, developed computer games for language learning, and founded research and development institutions to explore innovative education models. He has published over 100 articles and 20 books, including *Catching Up or Leading the Way: American Education in the Age of Globalization* and *World Class Learners: Educating Creative and Entrepreneurial Students*.

Dr. Zhao is a recipient of the [Early Career Award from the American Educational Research Association](#) and was named one of the 2012 10 most influential people in educational technology by the [Tech & Learn Magazine](#). He is an elected fellow of the International Academy for Education. His latest book *World Class Learners* has won several awards including the Society of Professors of Education Book Award (2013), Association of Education Publishers' (AEP) Judges' Award and Distinguished Achievement Award in Education Leadership (2013).

**Steven Edwards, Ed.D., CEO, Edwards Educational Services**

A leader nationally recognized by *USA Today* for his innovative approach to education, Dr. Edwards successfully implemented numerous groundbreaking programs to improve student performance during his sixteen-year tenure as a school administrator. As President and CEO of Edwards Educational Services, Inc., Dr. Edwards has been instrumental in helping countless organizations tailor similar programs with positive, far-reaching results. In addition, Dr. Edwards is an internationally recognized keynote speaker, facilitator and trainer regularly featured as a content expert on television and radio with appearances on CNN. As a planner, Dr. Edwards has worked locally, nationally and internationally with both for-profit and non-profit organizations, such as The United Nations and World Bank, in 49 states and 30 countries.

Throughout his thirty-seven year professional career, Dr. Edwards has published numerous articles on leadership and has co-authored five books. He has also served as a professor of educational leadership for both the University of Connecticut, where he received his Ph.D., and the George Washington University teaching prospective administrators in the Graduate School of Education.

**Randall Fielding, AIA, MAIBC  
Chairman, Fielding Nair International, Architects**

Randall Fielding, AIA, MAIBC, is the Chairman and Design Director of Fielding Nair International, an award-winning school planning and design firm with project in 43 countries. Randy oversees FNI's mission to improve learning by nurturing the development of creative learning communities that are in consonance with global best practice and research.